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Jeep Ski and Snowboard Championship Cancelled

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HEIDELBERG, GE—The Jeep 2007 U.S. Forces Europe Ski and Snowboard Championship is cancelled due to unseasonably warm weather leading to unacceptable racing conditions, Installation Management Command-Europe Morale, Welfare and Recreation officials announced today.

The annual Army Outdoor Recreation event was scheduled for March 10-11 at the NATO School and Kolben Ski Area in Oberammergau, Germany.

"We regret to have to make this decision, but there has been very little snowfall this winter and the forecast is continued warm weather," said John O'Sullivan, IMCOM-Europe MWR Recreation Program Manager. "Alternative higher altitude race locations were either unavailable or under a similar risk of unsafe snow pack."

The decision to cancel the event was made now in order to provide patrons the opportunity to cancel reservations, O'Sullivan said.

"We'd like to thank our sponsors for all the great support they gave us and the cooperation and assistance we have received from staff and administrators at the NATO School," said O'Sullivan. "And we ask skiers and snowboarders to join us in looking forward to a much better ski season next winter."

Further information on IMCOM-Europe MWR and outdoor recreation programs is available at www.mwr-europe.com.

